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TAGS: OVIP (CLEMENTS, WILLIAM), MARR, MASS, PFOR, SA, US

SUBJECT: ITEMS MODA WISHES TO DISCUSS DURING DEPSECDEF VISIT

REF: (A) SECDEF 080130Z APR 75; (B) USMTM 071450Z APR 75

1. AMBASSADOR AKINS RECEIVED NIGHT OF APRIL 8, FROM AREA  
MILITARY COMMANDER LETTER FROM DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENSE  
PRINCE TURKI BIN ABD AL-AZIZ OUTLINING POINTS MODA WISHED TO  
DISCUSS DURING FORTHCOMING VISIT OF DEPSECDEF MR. WILLIAM  
CLEMENTS. ORIGINAL OF LETTER WILL BE PROVIDED TO CLEMENTS  
PARTY UPON ARRIVAL; EMBASSY TRANSLATION FOLLOWS:

"NO. 2/1/1/401

27/3/95 A.H. (CORRESPONDING TO APRIL 8, 1975)

SECRET/MOST URGENT

IN THE NAME OF GOD, THE MERCIFUL, THE COMPASSIONATE  
MY DEAR MR. WILLIAM B. CLEMENTS, JR. AMERICAN DEPUTY  
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

OUR BEST AND MOST AUSPICIOUS GREETINGS.

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I RECEIVED YOUR URGENT SECRET LETTER DATED MARCH 24, 1975, IN WHICH YOU REFERRED TO MY PREVIOUS LETTER SENT TO YOU IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1974 ON THE SUBJECT OF PROGRAMS FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE SAUDI KINGDOM'S NAVAL FORCES; IN THANKING YOU FOR YOUR DEEP CONCERN AT STRENGTHENING THE BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN US I WISH TO BRING YOUR ATTENTION--(AFTER) STUDYING THE SUBJECT OF YOUR LETTER--THAT I AM PERSONALLY CONVINCED AND IN AGREEMENT WITH YOU IN A GENERAL WAY ABOUT MOST OF WHAT YOU HAVE SAID. I WOULD APPRECIATE HOWEVER YOUR TAKING NOTE OF THE THREE FOLLOWING POINTS:

(1) WORK (SHOULD CONTINUE) TO URGE THE OFFICIALS TO DO THEIR UTMOST POSSIBLE TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAM FOR SHIP AND FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION IN THE NAVAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT ACCORDING TO THE ESTABLISHED SCHEDULE AND WITHOUT DEPARTING FROM IT. LIKEWISE, THERE SHOULD BE NO REPETITION OF WHAT HAPPENED WITH REGARD TO THE LANDING CRAFT IN THE REMAINING AREAS OF THE PROJECT.

2. WE DO NOT REQUIRE THE INTEGRATION OF THE OFFICE OF NAVAL CONSTRUCTION WITH THE OFFICE WHICH OVERSEES THE SNEP PROJECT, BUT WE SEE NO REASON WHY THE OFFICE WHICH HAS BEEN OPENED IN THE MATERIALS COMMAND COULD NOT BE LINKED IN AN ORGANIZATIONAL SENSE WITH THE OFFICE OVERSEEING THE SNEP PROJECT.

3. WE WANT TO PLAY A MORE EFFECTIVE ROLE IN THE REVIEW OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE PROGRAM AND WISH THE (U.S.) NAVY TO PRESENT TO THE OFFICE OF THE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION THE NUMBER OF SEVERAL OF THE DOCUMENTS USED BY THE AMERICAN NAVY FOR THIS PURPOSE SO AS TO GIVE US (AN ACCOUNTING REVIEW CAPABILITY); WE HOPE YOUR EXCELLENCY COULD INSTRUCT THE SPECIALISTS TO DO WHATEVER IS POSSIBLE TO REALIZE THIS DESIRE (OF OURS).

4. I HOPE YOUR EXCELLENCY CAN GIVE (THESE MATTERS) EARNEST CONSIDERATION SO THAT THEIR DISCUSSION CAN TAKE PLACE IN A WIDER CONTEXT WHEN YOU SHALL SOON HONOR US BY YOUR PRESENCE; WITH MY RESPECT AND ESTEEM, TURKI BIN ABD AL-AZIZ /S/ DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENSE AND AVIATION AND INSPECTOR GENERAL."  
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